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- 1. Cong. Broyhill was scheduled to bring a delegation from Fairfax County to meet with Col. White today to reopen the possibility that CIA might move its new headquarters building to Langley, Virginia. The meeting was cancelled however pending a determination by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors as to the County position on the move.
- 2. The House Armed Services Committee commenced hearings on the Military Construction bill. Mr. Smart, Chief Counsel to the Committee, informed me that it would probably be three weeks before the Committee reached the CIA building. In connection with the funds

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- 3. CIA has apparently reduced the number of sites which it is considering for a new headquarters building to 6. Col. White had a short meeting with the Legislative Counsel, the Director of Logistics and Col. Grogan to state that these sites are Suitland and the Casey Tract in Maryland, Arlington Hall and the Winkler Tract in Virginia, and Southwest and the Brewery location in the District. We will, therefore, change the tenor of our general replies to correspondence on this subject to reflect the changed circumstances, but without revealing the favored sites.
- 4. Mr. Farker, of the Bureau of the Budget called to ask the status of CIA's views on the Administration's training bill. I told Mr. Parker that while these views had not been finally recleared at the top level, I felt that at least on the working level there was no change from the Agency's position as expressed in our letter to the Bureau of the Budget on 8 February 1955 on this subject. Mr. Parker asked whether

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my views would change if they removed the repealer of the CIA training statute from their draft but included some general language which would allow the President to issue regulations. I stated that this was in effect the same proposition as the regulatory authority would immediately be redelegated to the Civil Service Commission as was contemplated in the present draft. I pointed out that we had a tremendous security problem in our training program and that our present statute was considered the most feasible way to handle the security problem. Mr. Parker asked me if I would keep him informed as to any final views the Agency might have on this matter.